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## NORTHEAST REVISES PRODUCTION GOALS, CONTINUES TO RECRUIT TECHNICIANS

OUTLINES SECOND-QUARTER INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY -- Mukden Tung-pei Jih-pao, 14 Apr 50

The Industries Section of the Northeast People's government has announced that the production goals set for the first quarter of 1950 were reached, except for some independent projects. To further expand industries in this area, the Industries Section set forth the following activities to be carried out during the second quarter.

- 1. The Industries Section shall inspect and study plants and mines to promote better management methods.
- 2. Important reconstruction activities shall be inspected to keep the progress of such programs under observation.
- 3. Safety measures shall be effected in plants and mines, and the systematic inspection of plant equipment shall be made.
- 4. The production of plants and mines shall be systematically inspected, organized, and expanded.
- 5. Based on the new pay schedule, remunerations shall be studied in relation with new production records, and rewards shall be given those workers who have set new records.
- 6. The 1950 reconstruction plan shall be rewritten and an outline for a 3-year plan shall be drawn up.
  - 7. Budgets and expenditures of heavy industries shall be inspected.
- 8. The 1950 estimated production shall be revised on the basis of the production figures of the first quarter.

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- 9. Prices of coal and electricity shall be studied on the basis of production and distribution during the second quarter.
- 10. The financial conditions of the plants and mines shall be studied and inspected.
  - 11. The over-all plans for light industries shall be expanded.
  - 12. The Northeast Industrial College shall be organized.

Each industry is to submit its activities plan by 20 April 1950.

STABILIZATION OF ECONOMY CONTINUES -- Shanghai Hsin-wen Jih-pao, 9 Apr 50

Mukden, 7 April (Hsin-hua) -- In something over a year, the economy of the Northeast has been shifted from a decentralized, disjointed economy to one that is centralized and highly integrated.

Steps in this direction were: unification of the Northeast public grain collection; the industrial and commercial income tax regulations; revisions in city financing; 10-day and monthly reports of receipts and disbursements; a security control system for warehouses, treasuries, and granaries, so that all transfers of grain, military and civilian goods, and funds must be carried out according to the system instituted by the liquor and tobacco monopoly (late February 1949); a unified accounting system for all nationally operated enterprises (March 1949); the centralization of all receipts of all publicly operated enterprises (April 1949) in the Northeast Bank; and control through the bank of all disbursements.

An inventory was made under the guidance of the bureau of accounting, of all government property both national and local to establish centralized control. After the inventory was completed, capital allotments were assigned to all government enterprises. The temporary central accounting bureau was discontinued and the various enterprises began dealing directly with the Northeast Bank, thus placing control of their financial planning in government hands. All provincial, municipal, and local governments are required to make quarterly and annual reports and settlements of all receipts and disbursements, so that the Northeast government can do its planning on a universal scale. Public grain, tax receipts, and monopoly sales receipts are not included in the above, since they are traditionally beyond the reach of provincial or local authorities.

In about a year, the tax structure has moved from a rural to a city-based system. In 1948, city tax receipts in the Northeast represented only 40 percent of the total. With the revival of industry and an equitable tax system, city taxes during 1949 quintupled those of 1948. On the basis of the city tax receipts for the first 2 months of 1950, which have exceeded the estimates by more than 43 percent, it can be predicted that by the end of the year urban tax income will exceed rural tax income by about 25 percent.

During the past year, Northeast industrial production and the economy of publicly operated enterprises have gradually recovered as a result of better leadership, the aroused enthusiasm and creative energy of the workers, and scientific management. Publicly operated industries have thus become a considerable source of revenue and will compare favorably with other sources of income.

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During the last year, reorganization has been carried out in the spirit of austerity. There has been a reduction in force of 70,000 persons. Military weapons, transport vehicles, and animals have been placed under unified control, with a resulting large reduction in expense. Standards have been set up regarding the use of buildings, water and electricity, and automobiles. Substantial savings have been made in overhead in disbursement and purchasing activities. Over-all increases in budget appropriations have resulted in eliminating piecemeal requests.

However, under the influence of past practices, some organizations still reveal overstaffing and others show out-of-line practices. Steps are being taken to correct these weaknesses. The responsibility of local finance authorities is to encourage production and to be able to take the lead in control of finances so that national government subsidies may be reduced. Rural financing is also gradually being brought into line.

With the application of the above-mentioned fiscal measures, during the last year and a half prices have been somewhat stabilized. During 1949, the rise in prices was only 80 percent. On the basis of the figures for this year, so far the rise in Mukden has been only 2 percent a month. In view of the improvements already made, and in prospect, it is hoped that before long the Northeast government budget can be balanced.

RECRUIT INDUSTRIAL TECHNICIANS IN EAST -- Hangchow Chekiang Jih-pao, 8 Apr 50

The following announcement concerns the recruiting of industrial technicians in East China by the Recruiting Corps, Department of Industry of the Northeast People's government:

Since the beginning of our mission in this area, the number of applications for service in the Northeast has been tremendous and the following positions have already been filled: various low-grade industrial technicians and junior accountants; medium and high-grade technicians for textile, automotive, and aviation industries; highway and bridge construction engineers; wireless telegraph, telegraph, and telephone operators; railroad traffic controllers and business managers; and teachers and professors of national literature, music, art, and physical training. However, applications for medium and high-grade technicians for the following are still being accepted:

### Fields

Electronics -- Technicians for manufacture of electrical machinery, and electricians.

Machinery -- Technicians for manufacture of mining, chemical, and stamping machinery, machine tools, and precision instruments.

Chemical -- Technicians for manufacture of various chemical products, paper, petroleum products, rubber goods, fireproof materials, dye materials, and electrodes.

Mining -- Mining engineers for coal and ll other metals; ferrous and non-ferrous metallurgists; technicians for open nearth, alloy, and special steel production.

Construction -- Civil engineers and architects.

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Accountants -- Senior accountants; teachers, assistant teachers, professors, and assistant professors in accountancy.

Medical -- Doctors, specialists, laboratory technicians, X -ay technicians, pharmacists, and obstetricians.

Lawyers

# Qualifications

Graduates of domestic or foreign technical colleges of above categories who have the required length of experience may apply. There is no age limit. Personal history, recommendation from a government higher than district government, and photograph of applicant must be submitted.

## Application

Application may be made at the East China Recruiting Corps offices in Shanghai, Nanking, and Hangchow, from now until 15 April 1950.

#### Compensation

Salary or wages will be paid according to the Northeast China's standard pay scale. Transportation and all other expenses for the accompanying family will be paid by the corps.

SENDS GRAIN TO CHINA -- Peiping Jen-min Jih-pao, 9 Apr 50

Mukden, 8 April (Hsin-hua) -- In accordance with orders from the Central People's government, during the first quarter of 1950, the Northeast authorities sent 603,740 tons of grain for famine relief purposes to North China, Shantung, and Shanghai.

Since April 1949, the Northeast has sent 1,173,000 tons of grain into China proper, 569,500 tons of it during 1949.

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